

103^D CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1022

To prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from issuing oil and gas leases for waters off the coast of the State of New Jersey until the year 2000, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 25 (legislative day, APRIL 19), 1993

Mr. BRADLEY (for himself and Mr. LAUTENBERG) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “New Jersey Offshore
5 Oil and Gas Moratorium Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 As used in this Act:

1 (1) LEASE.—The term “lease” has the same
 2 meaning as is provided in section 2(c) of the Outer
 3 Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1331(c)).

4 (2) PRELEASING ACTIVITY.—The term
 5 “preleasing activity” means any activity conducted
 6 before a lease sale is held including—

7 (A) the scheduling of a lease;

8 (B) a request for industry interest;

9 (C) a call for information or a nomination;

10 (D) the identification of an area;

11 (E) the publication of a draft or final envi-
 12 ronmental impact statement;

13 (F) a notice of sale; and

14 (G) any form of rotary drilling.

15 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
 16 the Secretary of the Interior.

17 **SEC. 3. NEW JERSEY OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS MORATO-**
 18 **RIUM.**

19 Beginning on the date of enactment of this Act and
 20 ending on January 1, 2000, the Secretary of the Interior
 21 may not conduct any preleasing activity, or hold any lease
 22 sale, under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43
 23 U.S.C. 1331 et seq.) with respect to the area seaward
 24 from the State of New Jersey.